



PHILIP L. BROWNING  
Interim Director

**County of Los Angeles  
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES**

425 Shatto Place, Los Angeles, California 90020  
(213) 351-5602

Board of Supervisors

GLORIA MOLINA  
First District  
MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS  
Second District  
ZEV YAROSLAVSKY  
Third District  
DON KNABE  
Fourth District  
MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH  
Fifth District

November 29, 2011

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**RECOMMENDATION TO AMEND THE INTENSIVE TREATMENT FOSTER CARE FOSTER  
FAMILY AGENCY CONTRACTS AND THE INTENSIVE TREATMENT FOSTER CARE-  
MULTIDIMENSIONAL TREATMENT FOSTER CARE FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY CONTRACTS  
TO REMOVE THE DUAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT FOR FOSTER PARENTS TO BE  
DUALY CERTIFIED FOR FOSTER AND ADOPTIVE STATUS**

**SUBJECT**

The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) seeks to execute amendments to remove the requirement of dual certification as foster and adoptive parents for Resource Parents providing Intensive Treatment Foster Care (ITFC) Foster Family Agency (FFA) and ITFC-Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care (ITFC-MTFC) FFA services.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Delegate authority to the Interim Director of DCFS or his designee to prepare and execute an amendment (substantially similar to the amendment in Attachment A) with the 12 ITFC FFA contractors in Attachment B, effective upon execution through September 30, 2012. The Interim Director will notify the Board and the Chief Executive Office (CEO) in writing within ten business days after execution.
2. Delegate authority to the Interim Director of DCFS or his designee to prepare and execute an amendment (substantially similar to the amendment in Attachment C) with the four ITFC-MTFC contractors in Attachment D, effective upon execution through September 30, 2012. The Interim Director will notify the Board and the Chief Executive Office (CEO) in writing within ten business days after execution.

## **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The recommended actions to remove the requirement of dual certification as Resource Parents (Foster and Adoptive) Parents by amending the ITFC FFA and ITFC-MTFC FFA contracts support the Katie A. Advisory Panel recommendations in its March 26, 2011 report to the United States District Court, Central District of California. The goal is to increase the pool of potential Certified Foster Parents (CFPs) available to provide temporary out of home placement services to DCFS placed children and youth who meet the Welfare and Institutions Code definition of emotionally and behaviorally disturbed. Certified foster homes provide a more family-like placement, a preferred alternative setting in lieu of institutional group care placement options. Implementation of these recommended actions will potentially increase the number of certified homes available to the Katie A. class members from 76 to the 300 certified homes ordered by the Katie A. Panel.

ITFC FFA and ITFC-MTFC FFA contracted program services include, but are not limited to:

- Intensively trained, monitored, and supported CFPs;
- Crisis prevention and intervention services;
- 24-hour on call administrator able to respond to emergency situations;
- In-home support counselors for ITFC FFA; or Skill Trainers for ITFC-MTFC FFA;
- Psychiatric intervention as needed for psychiatric emergencies; and,
- Trained staff capable of implementing appropriate procedural approaches in response to:
  - o suicide attempts,
  - o runaways,
  - o sexual acting out, and
  - o violent or assaultive behavior.

Other services include psychiatric care by Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (DMH) approved providers or licensed psychiatric providers, continuity of care, and family reunification services.

## **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

These amendments are consistent with the principles of the Countywide Strategic Plan, Goal No. 1, Operational Effectiveness – which ensure that service delivery systems are efficient, effective and goal-oriented. Strategic Plan, Goal No. 2, Children, Family, and Adult Well-Being – Strategy 4, partnerships, which involve strengthening partnerships with community-based organizations, foundations, and other governmental agencies to maximize effectiveness, funding sustainability and capacity building; and Goal No. 3, Organizational Effectiveness – which ensures that service delivery systems are efficient, effective, and goal-oriented. By amending the ITFC FFA and ITFC-MTFC FFA contracts to remove the requirement for dual certification as foster and adoptive parents for ITFC FFA and ITFC-MTFC FFA CFPs, we will increase the placement options for emotionally and behaviorally disturbed children.

## **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

These amendments will have no impact on the current allocations approved for the ITFC FFA and ITFC-MTFC FFA contracts.

The estimated placement cost for the ITFC FFA contracts includes DCFS' reimbursement to Department of Mental Health (DMH) for the local match of the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis

and Treatment (EPSDT) funded at 100 percent net County cost (NCC). The ITFC FFA placement rate cost will be funded at 36 percent Federal, 33 percent State and 31 percent NCC, utilizing the Title IV-E Waiver capped allocation. The total estimated funding will not exceed \$10,633,920 and is included in the Department's Fiscal Year 2011-12 Adopted Budget and will be included for subsequent fiscal years in the Department's budget requests.

The estimated placement cost for the ITFC-MTFC FFA contracts includes DCFS' reimbursement to Department of Mental Health (DMH) for the local match of the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) funded at 100 percent net County cost (NCC). The ITFC-MTFC FFA placement rate cost will be funded at 36 percent Federal, 33 percent State and 31 percent NCC, utilizing the Title IV-E Waiver capped allocation. The total estimated funding will not exceed \$3,866,880 and is included in the Department's Fiscal Year 2011-12 Adopted Budget and will be included for subsequent fiscal years in the Department's budget requests.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The requirement to have each foster parent dually certified as a resource family inhibits effective recruitment for this specialized pool of caregivers that are not prospective permanent homes.

As mentioned above, the ITFC and ITFC-MTFC programs are not permanent foster placements but instead include intensive in-home mental health interventions designed to stabilize youth with serious emotional and behavioral needs in a community rather than in an institutional setting. The ultimate program goal under the Katie A. Settlement is to develop a pool of specially-trained professional foster parents that will be a bridge for such high needs youth from congregate care to a permanent home. To that end, the ITFC and ITFC-MTFC foster homes differ from traditional foster homes. The ITFC and ITFC-MTFC programs target the negative behaviors keeping these youth from finding or returning to permanent homes. The trained ITFC and ITFC-MTFC certified foster parents are a key component to the intervention.

The proposed changes will not affect the standards of safety in ITFC and ITFC-MTFC homes. Firstly, ITFC and ITFC-MTFC unlike their traditional FFA homes have more oversight since they are required to have an in-home support counselor visiting the home weekly in addition to the usual FFA social worker.

Secondly, in the proposed amendment, the ITFC and ITFC-MTFC foster parents will continue to undergo the same thorough interviews, psycho-social assessments Structured Analysis Family Evaluation (SAFE) home studies, Live Scans for criminal arrest and conviction records, and child abuse history clearances as other Resource Families. The waiver will only eliminate the requirement that the home study be approved at the adoption level, namely the need for a second less comprehensive Live Scan for criminal convictions only, and the complete documentation of all marriages and divorces. Finally, the DCFS Treatment Foster Care staff will track the ITFC and ITFC-MTFC certified foster parents to ensure that if they chose to discontinue as ITFC or ITFC-MTFC foster parents that they will not be allowed to have other children placed in their homes until they meet the requirements at the adoption level.

DCFS evaluated and determined both amendments comply with the California Department of Social Services Contracting Policies Manual 23.604.38(i) which requires all contracts to include provisions for amendments, and 23.604.4.41, which requires no change in the original contract unit price as originally determined through competitive solicitation. The Chief Executive Office (CEO) and County Counsel have reviewed the amendments and Board letter. The attached form amendments have

been approved as to form by County Counsel.

The contracts expressly state the County has no obligation to pay for expenditures beyond the contract amount. Further, the contractor will not be asked to perform services that exceed the contract amount, scope of work, or contract terms. The Department evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply as the contracts were not awarded under the provisions of Chapter 2.121. These services cannot be effectively performed by County employees because they require the development and utilization of resources that are not available in the County system.

The execution of these amendments will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information. With the exceptions previously approved by your Board noted below, these amendments will be in full compliance with federal, State and County regulations.

The following provisions are modified from the standard Board required contract language and were tailored for out-of-home placement services contracts. These changes were previously approved by your Board for these contracts on October 21, 2008, and incorporated in the current ITFC FFA and ITFC-MTFC FFA contracts:

- 1) General Insurance Requirements;
- 2) Insurance Coverage Requirements;
- 3) Contract Enforcement, Out of Home Care Management;
- 4) Monitoring and Review;
- 5) Limitation of County's Obligation Due to Non-Appropriation of Funds;
- 6) Termination of Contract by Contractor for Convenience;
- 7) Mutual Indemnification; and,
- 8) Consideration of Hiring County Employees Targeted for Layoff or on Reemployment Lists.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

No additional contracting process is required.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of these contract amendments will allow the Department to continue to provide ITFC FFA and ITFC-MTFC FFA services to DCFS children and families. The service levels required under these amendments are the same as those in the current contracts.

The contracts will not infringe on the role of the County in relationship to its residents, and the County's ability to respond to emergencies will not be impaired. There is no change in risk exposure to the County.

### **CONCLUSION**

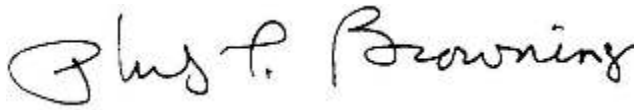
Upon Board approval, the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, is requested to return one adopted stamped Board Letter to the Department of Children and Family Services.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

11/29/2011

Page 5

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Philip L. Browning". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

PHILIP L. BROWNING

Interim Director

PLB:CMM

AM:CC:df

Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel  
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors  
Director, Department of Mental Health

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES (DCFS)  
AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE TO  
INTENSIVE TREATMENT FOSTER CARE FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY CONTRACT  
NUMBER ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
WITH  
INSERT CONTRACTOR NAME**

This Amendment Number One to Intensive Treatment Foster Care Foster Family Agency (ITFC FFA) Contract Number XXXXXX is made and entered into by and between the County of Los Angeles, hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY" and (insert contractor name), hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR" this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2009, the Board of Supervisors approved the Intensive Treatment Foster Care Foster Family Agency Contracts with certain qualified non-profit corporations for Intensive Treatment Foster Care Foster Family Agency services; and

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2009, the Board of Supervisors delegated authority in certain circumstances, which apply herein, to the Director of DCFS to amend these Contracts; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR are parties to the Intensive Treatment Foster Care Foster Family Agency Contract and CONTRACTOR has been providing intensive treatment foster care foster family agency services to the COUNTY; and

NOW THEREFORE, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR agree to modify the Intensive Treatment Foster Care Foster Family Agency Contract as follows:

1. Part I: Unique Terms and Conditions, Section 12.0 Certified Foster Parents, Sub-paragraph 12.1.1 is deleted in its entirety.
2. Exhibit A, Statement of Work, Part A: Introduction, Section 3.0 – Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) Priorities for Children, Sub-section 3.2 – Permanency, Sub-paragraph 3.2.1 is added to read as follows:

Although Certified ITFC Foster Parents may choose to become dually prepared resource families, this is not a requirement in that they function primarily as part of an intensive service team working to stabilize the challenging behaviors of ITFC youth so they can return to the homes of their parents or find other permanent caregivers. Prospective ITFC Foster Parents shall continue to undergo the same thorough interviews, psycho-social assessments Structured Analysis Family Evaluation (SAFE) home studies, Live Scans for criminal arrest and conviction records, and child abuse history clearances as other Resource Families. This only eliminates the requirement that the home study be approved at the adoption level, namely the need for a second less comprehensive Live Scan for criminal convictions only, and the complete documentation of all marriages and divorces. ITFC Foster Parents will also complete comprehensive

reference checks, with any other private or government agency with which they may have been licensed or certified as foster parents.

As required by all FFA homes, Certified ITFC Foster Parents shall assist DCFS in the concurrent planning process for any youth in their home.

DCFS Program Manager or designee will track the ITFC certified foster parents to ensure that if they chose to discontinue as ITFC foster parents that they will not be allowed to have other children placed in their homes until they meet the requirements at the adoption level.

3. Exhibit A, Statement of Work, Part B: Target Demographics, Section 1.0 – Target Demographics is amended to read as follows:

### **1.0 TARGET DEMOGRAPHICS**

The overall target demographics for FFAs is children, 0-17 years old, in need of a temporary or permanent family setting as an alternative to a group home. The principal target groups include children in which the Case Plan is for: (1) family reunification; (2) adoption; (3) legal guardianship; (4) permanent placement; (5) sibling group placement; (6) neighborhood/school-based placement; and (7) children with special health care needs as defined in Title 22, Section 88001(c)(5) and (m) for FFAs with Specialized Certified Family Homes. (See Section C 3.1.6, below).

Additional eligibility requirements for all ITFC FFA children are that they are emotionally disturbed or have a serious behavioral problem, as evidenced by a history that may include, but is not limited to, all of the specific behavior management problems: (1) lying; (2) stealing; (3) verbal or physical aggression; (4) inappropriate sexual behavior; (5) attempts at self-mutilation or suicide; and (6) defiant and oppositional behavior. [WIC § 18358(b)(1)(A-F)]

Children who, as a result of their emotional disturbance or serious behavioral problem, satisfy one or more of the following criteria [WIC § 18358(b)(2)(A-D)]:

(A) Are placed in a group home with a rate classification level of nine or higher pursuant to WIC § Section 11462.

(B) Have been assessed by the child's county interagency review team or county placing agency as at imminent risk of psychiatric hospitalization or placement in a group home with a rate classification level of nine or higher pursuant to WIC § Section 11462.

(C) Were previously in a group home program, except children on probation or otherwise in the custody of the juvenile court for any violent felony, as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 667.5 of the Penal Code.

(D) Are voluntarily placed in a group home with a rate classification level of 9 or higher pursuant to Section 7572.5 of the Government Code.

4. Exhibit A, Statement of Work, Part C: Service Tasks to Achieve Performance Outcome Goals, Section 2.0- Permanency, Sub-section 2.1 Permanency, Sub-paragraph 2.1.1 is amended to read as follows:

2.1.1 Permanency Planning

2.1.1.1 For all Placed Children the CONTRACTOR shall document on the CONTRACTOR'S intake form the Placed Child's permanency plan as provided by the CSW.

2.1.1.2 The CONTRACTOR shall assess the strengths, training, skills, and interests of each Certified Foster Parent in order to match them, to the extent possible and appropriate, to each child's permanency plan for family reunification/relative placement, adoption, legal guardianship, or planned permanent living arrangement.

2.1.1.3 The CONTRACTOR shall assess the strengths, training, skills, and interests of each Certified Foster Parent in order to match them, to the extent possible and appropriate, to each child's need for sibling group placement, neighborhood/school-based placement, or special health care needs placement.

2.1.1.4 When the permanency plan is immediate adoption (the Placed Child has been identified as Fast Track to Permanency), the CONTRACTOR shall determine in consultation with DCFS staff, and document in the CONTRACTOR'S intake form, prior to accepting the child, whether the Certified ITFC Foster Home can sufficiently meet the child's needs for intensive services, concurrent planning and permanency.

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT REMAIN IN FULL  
FORCE AND EFFECT**



**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES**

**AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE TO INTENSIVE TREATMENT FOSTER CARE  
FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY CONTRACT**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the COUNTY of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment Number One to be subscribed on its behalf by the Director of the Department of Children and Family Services and the CONTRACTOR has subscribed the same through its authorized officers, as of the day, month and year first above written. The persons signing on behalf of the CONTRACTOR warrant under penalty of perjury that they are authorized to bind the CONTRACTOR.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

CONTRACTOR

---

Name of Agency

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Philip L. Browning  
Interim Director  
Department of Children and  
Family Services

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

---

Tax Identification Number

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
BY THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL  
Andrea Ordin, County Counsel

By: \_\_\_\_\_

David Beaudet,  
Senior Deputy County Counsel

## **ATTACHMENT B**

### **INTENSIVE TREATMENT FOSTER CARE (ITFC) FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY(FFA) CONTRACTORS**

1. ChildNet Youth and Family Services
2. Children's Institute, Inc.
3. David and Margaret Home, Inc.
4. Ettie Lee Homes
5. Five Acres, The Boys and Girls Aid Society of Los Angeles
6. Hamburger Home Inc., dba Aviva Family and Children's Services
7. Hathaway-Sycamores Child and Family Services
8. Olive Crest
9. Penny Lane Centers
10. Rosemary Children's Services
11. The Village Family Services
12. Vista Del Mar

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES (DCFS)  
AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE TO  
INTENSIVE TREATMENT FOSTER CARE-MULTIDIMENSIONAL TREATMENT  
FOSTER CARE FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY CONTRACT NUMBER XXXXXXXXXXXX  
WITH  
INSERT CONTRACTOR NAME**

This Amendment Number One to Intensive Treatment Foster Care-Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care Foster Family Agency (ITFC-MTFC FFA) Contract Number XXXXXX is made and entered into by and between the County of Los Angeles, hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY" and (insert contractor name), hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR" this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2009, the Board of Supervisors approved the Intensive Treatment Foster Care-Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care Foster Family Agency Contracts with certain qualified non-profit corporations for Intensive Treatment Foster Care- Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care Foster Family Agency services; and

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2009, the Board of Supervisors delegated authority in certain circumstances, which apply herein, to the Director of DCFS to amend these Contracts; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR are parties to the Intensive Treatment Foster Care- Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care Foster Family Agency Contract and CONTRACTOR has been providing intensive treatment foster care-multidimensional treatment foster care foster family agency services to the COUNTY; and

NOW THEREFORE, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR agree to modify the Intensive Treatment Foster Care-Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care Foster Family Agency Contract as follows:

1. Part I: Unique Terms and Conditions, Section 12.0 Certified Foster Parents, Sub-paragraph 12.1.1 is deleted in its entirety.
2. Exhibit A, Statement of Work, Part A: Introduction, Section 3.0 – Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) Priorities for Children, Sub-section 3.2 Permanency, Sub-paragraph 3.2.1 is added to read as follows:

3.2.1 Certified ITFC-MTFC Foster Parents are not required to be dually prepared resource families in that they function primarily as part of an intensive service team working to stabilize the challenging behaviors of ITFC-MTFC youth so they can return to the homes of their parents or other permanent caregivers. Prospective ITFC-MTFC Foster Parents shall continue to undergo the same thorough interviews, psycho-social assessment Structured Analysis Family Evaluation (SAFE) homes studies, Live Scans for criminal arrest and conviction records, and child abuse history clearances as other Resource Families. This only eliminates the requirement that the home study be approved at the adoption

level, namely the need for a second less comprehensive Live Scan for criminal convictions only, and the complete documentation of all marriages and divorces. ITFC – MTFC FFA Foster Parents will also complete comprehensive reference checks, with any other private or government agency with which they may have been licensed or certified as foster parents.

As required by all FFA homes, Certified ITFC- MTFC Foster Parents shall assist DCFS in the concurrent planning process for any youth in their home.

DCFS Program Manager or designee will track the ITFC-MTFC certified foster parents to ensure that if they chose to discontinue as ITFC-MTFC foster parents that they will not be allowed to have other children placed in their homes until they meet the requirements at the adoption level.

3. Exhibit A, Statement of Work, Part B: Target Demographics, Section 1.0 – Target Demographics is amended to read as follows:

### **1.0 TARGET DEMOGRAPHICS**

The overall target demographics for ITFC-MTFC FFAs is children, 6 -17 years old, in need of a temporary or permanent family setting as an alternative to a group home. The principal target groups include children in which the Case Plan is for: (1) family reunification; (2) adoption; (3) legal guardianship; (4) neighborhood/school-based placement; and (5) children with special health care needs as defined in Title 22, Division 6, Chapter 8.8, Section 88001(c)(5) and (m) for FFAs with Specialized Certified Family Homes. (See Section C 3.1.6, below).

The eligibility requirements for ITFC-MTFC FFA children differ in that they must be emotionally disturbed or have a serious behavioral problem, as evidenced by a history that may include, but is not limited to, all of the specific behavior management problems: (1) lying; (2) stealing; (3) verbal or physical aggression; (4) unacceptable sexual behavior; (5) attempts at self-harmful behaviors; and (6) defiant and oppositional behavior. [WIC § 18358(b)(1)(A-F)]

Children who, as a result of their emotional disturbance or serious behavioral problem, satisfy one or more of the following criteria [WIC §18358(b)(2)(A-D)]:

- (A) Are placed in a group home with a rate classification level of nine or higher pursuant to WIC Section 11462.
- (B) Have been assessed by the child's county interagency review team or county placing agency as at imminent risk of psychiatric hospitalization or placement in a group home with a rate classification level of nine or higher pursuant to WIC Section 11462.
- (C) Were previously in a group home program, except children on probation or otherwise in the custody of the juvenile court for any violent felony, as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 667.5 of the Penal Code.

(D) Are voluntarily placed in a group home with a rate classification level of 9 or higher pursuant to Section 7572.5 of the Government Code.

4. Exhibit A, Statement of Work, Part C: Service Tasks to Achieve Performance Outcome Goals, Section 2.0 - Permanency, Sub-section 2.1 Permanency, Sub-paragraph 2.1.1 is amended to read as follows:

2.1.1 Permanency Planning

2.1.1.1 For all Placed Children the CONTRACTOR shall document on the CONTRACTOR'S intake form the Placed Child's permanency plan as provided by the CSW.

2.1.1.2 The CONTRACTOR shall assess the strengths, training, skills, and interests of each Certified Foster Parent in order to match them, to the extent possible and appropriate, to each child's permanency plan for family reunification/relative placement, adoption, legal guardianship, or planned permanent living arrangement.

2.1.1.3 The CONTRACTOR shall assess the strengths, training, skills, and interests of each Certified Foster Parent in order to match them, to the extent possible and appropriate, to each child's need for sibling group placement, neighborhood/school-based placement, or special health care needs placement.

2.1.1.4 When the permanency plan is immediate adoption (the Placed Child has been identified as Fast Track to Permanency), the CONTRACTOR shall determine in consultation with DCFS staff, and document in the CONTRACTOR'S intake form, prior to accepting the child, whether the Certified ITFC-MTFC Foster Home can sufficiently meet the child's needs for intensive services, concurrent planning and permanency.

5. Exhibit A, Statement of Work, Part C: Service Tasks to Achieve Performance Outcome Goals, Section 3.0 – Well Being, Sub-sections 3.3.2 through 3.3.5 are amended and renumbered to read as follows:

3.3.2 Participation by the Placed Child, CSW, Certified Foster Parents, and Family

The CONTRACTOR shall ensure that: (1) the Placed Child, age and maturity permitting, the CSW, and the Certified Foster Parents are offered the opportunity to participate in the development of and any modifications to the Needs and Services Plan in accordance with Title 22, Division 6, Chapter 8.8, Sections 88068.2(b) and 88068.3(b); (2) the CSW gives written approval of the Needs and Services Plan and any modifications thereto in accordance with Title 22, Division 6, Chapter 8.8, Sections 88068.2(b)(1) and 88068.3(b)(1); and (3) the CSW and Certified Foster Parents receive copies of the approved Needs and Services Plan and any modifications thereto in accordance with Title 22, Division 6, Chapter 8.8, Section 88068.2(c) and 88068.3(c).

Documentation of actions taken in efforts to comply with the above shall be documented in each placed child's case files.

- 3.3.3 Attendance at Team Decision-Making and Permanency Planning Conferences. Both the ITFC-MTFC-FFA and the Certified Foster Parents shall attend all DCFS Team Decision-Making and Permanency Planning conferences, to which the CONTRACTOR receives advance notice.

3.3.4 Life Goals and Objectives

The CONTRACTOR shall discuss with Certified Foster Parents teaching the Placed Child how to set short-term and long-term goals and objectives appropriate to the developmental level of the Placed Child. The CONTRACTOR shall discuss possible short-term and long-term goals and objectives with the Placed Child as they relate to his/her Needs and Services Plan, career plans, strengths and interests, and educational possibilities. These discussions of life goals are to help prepare the Placed Child for Emancipation and adulthood, and, where the permanency plan is for family reunification, return to his/her family.

3.3.5 Placed Children's Cultural Awareness

The CONTRACTOR shall discuss with Certified Foster Parents ways to provide opportunities to encourage the development of the Placed Child's cultural awareness, thereby increasing self-esteem. Placed Children should be encouraged and allowed to participate in activities in which they have an interest such as dance, art, sports, music, etc.

3.3.6 Transportation Services

No Placed Child shall miss going to school or medical appointments because the CONTRACTOR does not provide or arrange transportation. The CONTRACTOR shall arrange transportation to activities as agreed to by the CONTRACTOR in the Needs and Services Plan. These activities may include school, ILP, teen clubs, place of child's employment, adoption-related events, visits with the family/relatives and prospective adoptive families, job training, extra-curricular or recreational activities, therapy, medical/dental appointments, religious service of Placed Child's or family's preference, sibling visits, etc. This can include teaching the Placed Child to take public transportation, and arranging transportation with other care providers or outreach advisors, ILP coordinators, CSWs, etc. The CONTRACTOR shall provide transportation and transportation expenses as outlined in Exhibit B, the CONTRACTOR'S Program Statement.

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all persons providing non-public transportation consistent with and in support of the Needs and Services Plan developed with the Department, for a Placed Child pursuant to this Section comply with the requirements of: (1) Title 22, Division 6, Chapter 1 Section 80074 and Chapter 4, Section 83074; (2) California Vehicle Code Sections 27360 and 27360.5; and (3) vehicle insurance at or above the

ATTACHMENT C

minimum bodily injury and property damage limits required by the State of California.

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT REMAIN IN FULL  
FORCE AND EFFECT**

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES  
AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE TO INTENSIVE TREATMENT FOSTER CARE-  
MULTIDIMENSIONAL TREATMENT FOSTER CARE FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY  
CONTRACT NUMBER**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the COUNTY of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment Number One to be subscribed on its behalf by the Director of the Department of Children and Family Services and the CONTRACTOR has subscribed the same through its authorized officers, as of the day, month and year first above written. The persons signing on behalf of the CONTRACTOR warrant under penalty of perjury that they are authorized to bind the CONTRACTOR.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

CONTRACTOR

---

Name of Agency

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Philip L. Browning  
Interim Director  
Department of Children and  
Family Services

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

---

Tax Identification Number

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
BY THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL  
Andrea Ordin, County Counsel

By: \_\_\_\_\_

David Beaudet,  
Senior Deputy County Counsel



## **ATTACHMENT D**

### **INTENSIVE TREATMENT FOSTER CARE (ITFC)-MULTIDIMENSIONAL TREATMENT (MTFC) FOSTER CARE FAMILY AGENCY (FFA) SERVICES**

1. ChildNet Youth and Family Services
2. Children's Institute, Inc.
3. David and Margaret Home, Inc.
4. Penny Lane Centers